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PART II-A

GOVERNMENT OF MEGHALAYA ORDERS BY THE GOVERNOR

NOTIFICATIONS

The 25th February, 2008.

No.LBG. 18/88/108.—The Governor of Meghalaya is pleased to declared the 3rd March, 2008, a paid public holiday under the N.I. Act, 1881, being the actual polling day to the General Election to the Meghalaya Legislative Assembly, 2008. This Notification is applicable to all public/private, Commercial & Industrial Enterprises (including Shops & Factories) situated in the State of Meghalaya to enable the voters to exercise their franchise.

A. SYIEM,
Under Secretary to the Govt. of Meghalaya,
Labour Department.

The 20th February, 2008.

No.Health.20/91/Pt.II/50.—In pursuance of the provisions under Rule 19 of the Meghalaya Health Service Rules, 1990, read with the Office Memorandum *vide* No.Health 20/91/Pt.I/307, dated 6th October, 2003, the Governor of Meghalaya is pleased to allow Dr. Pyndapsalan M. Pyrtuh, Medical & Health Officer, Civil Hospital, Jowai, to draw 5 (five) Advance Increments on his own Scale of Pay with effect from 1st September, 2006 (FN) for possessing Post Graduate Degree in M.S. (Otorhinolaryngology) from the Regional Institute of Medical Sciences, Manipur University, Imphal, Manipur.

E. LYNGWA,
Deputy Secretary to the Govt. of Meghalaya,
Health & Family Welfare Department.

The 22nd February, 2008.

No. Health.20/91/Pt.I/639.—In pursuance of the provisions under Rule 19 of the Meghalaya Health Service Rules, 1990, read with the Office Memorandum *vide* No. Health 20/91/Pt.I/307, dated 6th October, 2003, the Governor of Meghalaya is pleased to allow Dr. Mrs. Ibamarbud Mawroh, Medical & Health Officer, Civil Hospital, Shillong, to draw 3 (three) Advance Increments on her own Scale of Pay with effect from 1st September, 2006 (FN) for possessing Post Graduate Diploma in Anesthesiology from the Assam Medical College, Dibrugarh, Assam.

E. LYNGWA,
Deputy Secretary to the Govt. of Meghalaya,
Health & Family Welfare Department.

The 25th February, 2008.

No.RDA.36/2005/34.—Whereas it appears to the Government of Meghalaya that land is required to be taken by the Government at the public expenses for a public purpose viz. Construction of International Border Out Post in the village of Nayabasti (Bholaganj) Sub-Division Shillong in the District of East Khasi Hills, it is hereby declared that for the above purpose land measuring more or less 15,278.82 Sq.m. of standard measuring bounded on the :-

North :- Raid land of Syiem of Sohra.

South :- Land of Smti. Indu Mondal.

East :- Border Road.

West :- Raid Land.

is required within the aforesaid village Nayabasti (Bholaganj).

This Declaration is made under the provision of Section 6 of Act I of 1894 which was amended by Act 68 of 1984 to whom it may concern.

A map of the plot of land may be inspected in the office of the Deputy Commissioner, East Khasi Hills District, Shillong.

Nothing in this Declaration will be considered to apply to land which is resumable for the said purpose under the terms of the Lease and which Government elect to resume instead of acquiring under the Act.

I. G. MARBANIANG,
Joint Secretary to the Govt. of Meghalaya,
Revenue and Disaster Management Department.

The 26th February, 2008.

No.RDA.26/2005/39.—Whereas it appears to the Government of Meghalaya that land is required to be taken by the Government at the public expenses for a public purpose viz. Security of International Border Out Post in the village of Mokan Cherra (Lumkuhim) Sohra Sub-Division Shillong in the District of East Khasi Hills, it is hereby declared that for the above purpose land measuring more or less 1917.04 Sq.m. of standard measuring bounded on the :-

North :- Land of Ka Seng Kuhim.

South :- Land of Ka Seng Kuhim.

East :- Land of Ka Seng Kuhim.

West :- Land of Ka Seng Kuhim.

is required within the aforesaid village Mokan Cherra (Lum Kuhim).

This Declaration is made under the provision of Section 6 of Act I of 1894 which was amended by Act 68 of 1984 to whom it may concern.

A map of the plot of land may be inspected in the office of the Deputy Commissioner, East Khasi Hills District, Shillong.

Nothing in this Declaration will be considered to apply to land which is resumable for the said purpose under the terms of the Lease and which Government elect to resume instead of acquiring under the Act.

I. G. MARBANIANG,

Joint Secretary to the Govt. of Meghalaya,
Revenue and Disaster Management Department.

The 25th February, 2008.

No.RDA.24/2005/41.—Whereas it appears to the Government of Meghalaya that land is required to be taken by the Government at the public expenses for a public purpose viz. Security of International Border Out Post in the village of Omkhawa ((Umkhabaw) Sohra Sub-Division Shillong in the District of East Khasi Hills, it is hereby declared that for the above purpose land measuring more or less 12819.14 Sq.m. of standard measuring bounded on the :-

North :- Land of Shri Sudhir.

South :- Land of Shri Rol Laitmon.

East :- Land of Shri Ken Dkhar.

West :- Land of Shri Khrilu Wahlang, Shri Order and Smti. Mital.

is required within the aforesaid village Omkhawa (Umkhabaw).

This Declaration is made under the provision of Section 6 of Act I of 1894 which was amended by Act 68 of 1984 to whom it may concern.

A map of the plot of land may be inspected in the office of the Deputy Commissioner, East Khasi Hills District, Shillong.

Nothing in this Declaration will be considered to apply to land which is resumable for the said purpose under the terms of the Lease and which Government elect to resume instead of acquiring under the Act.

I. G. MARBANIANG,

Joint Secretary to the Govt. of Meghalaya,
Revenue and Disaster Management Department.

The 4th March, 2008.

No.PLR.92/2006/48.—The Government of Meghalaya is pleased to constitute a State Water Harvesting Mission Steering Committee under the Chairmanship of the Chief Secretary and the Seniormost Secretary, Planning Department as Vice-Chairman and shall also act as State Mission Executive for implementation of the Meghalaya Water Harvesting Mission.

The State Mission Director will assist the State Mission Executive who will also act as the Member Convenor of the State Water Harvesting Mission Steering Committee.

The State Water Harvesting Mission Steering Committee shall also include the following members:

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| 1. Chief Secretary, Government of Meghalaya | - | Chairman. |
| 2. Principal Secretary/Commissioner & Secretary, Finance or his representative not below the rank of Joint Secretary. | - | Member. |
| 3. Principal Secretary/Commissioner & Secretary, P.H.E. or his representative not below the rank of Joint Secretary. | - | Member. |
| 4. Principal Secretary/Commissioner & Secretary, C. & R.D. or his representative not below the rank of Joint Secretary. | - | Member. |
| 5. Principal Secretary/Commissioner & Secretary, Planning or his representative not below the rank of Joint Secretary. | - | Member. |
| 6. Principal Secretary/Commissioner & Secretary, Soil & Water Conservation or his representative not below the rank of Joint Secretary. | - | Member. |
| 7. Principal Secretary/Commissioner & Secretary, Agriculture or his representative not below the rank of Joint Secretary. | - | Member. |
| 8. Representative of 2 (two) prominent NGO's | - | Member. |
| 9. Representative of 2 (two) prominent Research Institute | - | Member. |
| 10. Representative from Central Government | - | Member. |
| 11. Mission Director (to be approved under Rule 3.3) | - | Member. |

The State Water Harvesting Mission Steering Committee will :-

- 1) Function as the general body of the Mission.
- 2) Comprise of all the founding Members and other Members with Chief Secretary of the State as the Chairperson.
- 3) Be responsible for broad policy guidelines.

Terms of Reference :-

- 1) Supervise and control the affairs and funds of the Mission.
- 2) Receive funds from the Central Government/State Government/other Funding Agencies and maintain Accounts thereof.
- 3) Scrutinize and accord administrative, technical and financial approval to projects within the purview of the Mission and within the approved Budget.
- 4) Clearance of schemes/projects would be deemed to have the approval and concurrence from Planning and Finance Department based on which the Planning Department in consultation with Finance Department may consider bulk sanctions and release of funds.
- 5) On approval of the schemes, the Mission Director will submit the demands for release of funds to the Mission Executive in Planning Department and funds will be released to the Mission Director with the approval of the State Water Harvesting Mission Steering Committee.

SHREERANJAN,
Commissioner & Secretary to the Government of Meghalaya,
Planning Department.

The 4th March, 2008.

No.PLR.92/2006/50.—The Government of Meghalaya is pleased to constitute the Meghalaya Water Harvesting Agency under the Chairmanship of the Chief Secretary and the Seniormost Secretary, Planning Department as Vice-Chairman for implementation of the Meghalaya Water Harvesting Mission.

The Agency shall have the State Mission Executive who will be the Seniormost Secretary, Planning Department who will be assisted by the Mission Director and will also act as the Member Convener of the Meghalaya Water Harvesting Agency.

District Level :-

The Deputy Commissioner of each district would be the District Mission Promoter. He will be assisted by a District Water Harvesting Coordinator equivalent to a Superintending Engineer or Joint Director selected by the State Level Mission. The District Promoter and the Coordinator will also oversee, coordinate and guide all activities at the District Level. They will also jointly monitor the progress of implementation.

Block Level :-

An Assistant Engineer who will be the Project Officer at the Block Level will be responsible for submission of proposals to the District Coordinator and to oversee implementation in the field through grassroots organizations such as traditional and local authorities, village council, established Co-operatives, SHGs and established NGOs.

The Meghalaya Water Harvesting Agency (MWHA) will :-

- 1) Have representatives from the concerned Government Departments/NGOs/ Institutions.
- 2) Responsible for implementation and overall co-ordination of Meghalaya Water Harvesting Mission in the State.
- 3) Ordinarily it would be a Society registered under the Society Registration Act etc.

Terms of Reference :

- (1) Prepare perspective and annual State Level action plan in consonance with mission goals and objectives.
- (2) Receive fund from the State, other sources, maintain proper accounts thereof and submit utilization certificates to the Concerned authority.
- (3) Furnish periodic progress report to the State Level Water Harvesting Mission Steering Committee.
- (4) Release funds to the District Water Harvesting Co-ordinators and monitor and review the implementation of the programmes.
- (5) Organize base line survey and feasibility studies in different parts (District, Sub-Division, Blocks) to determine the status of progress of the Water Harvesting Mission.
- (6) Assist and oversee the implementation of the Mission programmes in the State.
- (7) Organize Workshops, Seminars and training programmes for all interest groups/Associations at the State Level.
- (8) Plan and formulate Water Harvesting Projects with available and established technologies.
- (9) Coordinate with different line departments/agencies/organizations during the execution.
- (10) Mobilise resource, allocate and channelize funds.
- (11) Scrutinise and give technical and financial approvals of projects.

SHREERANJAN,
Commissioner & Secretary to the Government of Meghalaya,
Planning Department.

The 4th March, 2008

No.PLR 92/2006/40.—

I. Background/Introduction :

1. Though the State Meghalaya receives heavy rainfall during the monsoon period, the state faces acute water shortage during the lean season due to lack of water storage systems. Considering the limitations of surface and ground water in the State, the most reliable source of water for drinking, cooking and irrigation in the dry months is harvested rainwater. The immense possibilities of water harvesting however remain largely unexplored in the State. The State should therefore lay emphasis on rain water harvesting. However, as no particular Department is entrusted with the responsibility of promoting water harvesting, it is therefore, necessary that the State should start a Water Harvesting Mission in the shape of a project type organization to promote water harvesting as a movement. This will be a registered society.
2. The Government of Meghalaya has decided to launch the "**Meghalaya Water Harvesting Mission**" with the following objectives :-
 - (i) To improve round the year availability of water through water harvesting through ponds, tanks, check dams and other methods.
 - (ii) To involve communities directly in water harvesting.
 - (iii) To build capacity at every level for creating a state-wide water harvesting movement.
 - (iv) To put in place institutional arrangements for the self sustaining management of water harvesting structures and systems.
3. The Water Harvesting Mission will be a State Plan Scheme for which resources have to be channeled for the purpose from various schemes of Departments. The resources available from the Central Government, Institutions and from other sources will also be explored. The Mission Authority should be a semi-autonomous body having strong linkages with local communities. The Planning Department of the State will be the Nodal Department. The implementation of the schemes will be through the local village communities. The schemes will also be proposed by them as per their needs. The NGOs/technical officials will help them in preparing plan and estimates.

II Strategy :

1. Rain Water Harvesting would be adopted and implemented as a State Programme.
2. The scheme should be planned and executed on scientific principles and integrated with suitable land-use practices.
3. Need to build data base on rain water harvesting and dissemination of data/information on available technology and recent advancements to the users at grass root level.
4. The prioritization of areas for implementation should be identified on the basis of declining water table, quality degraded areas and vulnerable areas.
5. Traditional rain water harvesting techniques should be revived, supported and developed taking into account the recent advancements.
6. Proactive approaches such as mass awareness programmes and training programmes would be undertaken by Government agencies in association with NGOs, SHGs and Voluntary Organisations.
7. Roof top rain water harvesting should be taken up in urban areas. Suitable legislative measures would be proposed for inclusion of rain water harvesting in building bye laws in urban areas.
8. Techno-economic evaluation of rain water harvesting would be taken up for large harvesting projects.
9. The water harvesting schemes would be implemented through people's participation. The funds for the purpose would be given to village committees/groups for implementation.
10. Suitable and competent NGOs would be identified for providing support to the village committees.

III MISSION INTERVENTION:

- IN - SITU HARVESTING — Wherein the rainfall precipitation is collected from stream, nalahs, surface run off top collection for direct utilization in domestic, irrigation and other uses.
- CONSERVATION OF RAINFALL PRECIPITATION IN AQUIFERS - Through tank, check dams etc.
- STORAGE IN SOIL PROFILE - For soil moisture build up through afforestation, gully plugs, contour bunding etc.
- Restoration, revival, revitalization and upgradation of existing/traditional rain water harvesting structures.
- Using and propagating Traditional and modern methods of water harvesting in the state.

IV MISSION STRUCTURE :**1. STATE LEVEL.**

- (a) **State level Water Harvesting Mission Steering Committee** - At the State level, a State Water Harvesting Mission Steering body will be formed under chairmanship of the Chief Secretary. The line Departments of water resources (Minor irrigation, Soil and Water Conservation, PHE and Agriculture Departments) Planning, Finance and Rural Development would be members of the steering committee as Government nominees. This committee would be serviced by the Planning Department until such time a suitable switch over is considered necessary. The State Mission Executive would be the senior most Secretary in the Planning Department assisted by the Mission Director who will also be the member convener. The committee will have representation from Research institutes, prominent NGOs. The Central Government may also be represented. This committee will be responsible for broad policy guidelines, approving the action plans, approving sanctions and releases, ensuring effective implementation and monitoring of the schemes.
- (b) **State Water Harvesting Agency** - Water Harvesting Agency will be set up in the state. The Meghalaya Water Harvesting Agency (MWHA) will be the mission implementing agency to which the fund will be authorized and released by the State Government/Central Government/Other funding agencies for onward distribution to the field District Water Harvesting Coordinators. The Meghalaya Water Harvesting Agency will have representatives from concerned Government Departments, NGOs, Institutions. The Meghalaya Water Harvesting Agency will be responsible for implementation and over all coordination of Meghalaya Water Harvesting Mission within the state. Ordinarily it would be a Society registered under Society Registration Act etc. The Meghalaya Water Harvesting Agency will have the following functions :-
 - 1. Prepare perspective and annual state level action plan in consonance with mission goals and objectives.
 - 2. Receive fund from the state, other sources, maintain proper accounts thereof and submit utilization certificates to the concerned authority.
 - 3. Furnish periodic progress report to the State level Water Harvesting Mission steering committee.
 - 4. Release funds to the District Water Harvesting coordinators and monitor and review the implementation of the programmes.
 - 5. Organize base line survey and feasibility studies in different parts (District, Sub-Division, Blocks) to determine the status of progress of the Water Harvesting Mission.
 - 6. Assist and oversee the implementation of the mission programmes in the states.
 - 7. Organize Workshops, Seminars and training programmes for all interest Groups/Associations at the state level.
 - 8. Planning and formulation of water harvesting projects with available and established technologies.
 - 9. Coordinate with different line Departments/Agencies/Organizations during the execution.
 - 10. Resource mobilization, allocation and channelisation of funds.

11. Scrutiny and give technical and financial approvals of projects.

The Chief Secretary will be chairman of the Agency and the senior most Secretary in the Planning Department will be the vice Chairman. An officer selected by the Government will be the Mission Director who will be equivalent to a Chief Engineer or Director level officer and may be retired officer of requisite level and expertise. He will be assisted by 3-5 Technical subject matter specialists and other supporting office staff.

2. DISTRICT LEVEL

The Deputy Commissioner of each district would be the District Mission Promoter. He will be assisted by a District Water Harvesting Coordinator equivalent to Superintending Engineer or Joint Director selected by the State Level Mission. The District Promoter and the Coordinator will also oversee, coordinate and guide all activities at the District Level. They will also jointly monitor the progress of implementation.

The District Coordinator would be responsible for the activities of the Water Harvesting Mission in the district under the guidance of the DC and will be responsible for interaction with the District/State administration/District Council/Traditional Institutions and coordination in the district. He would be exclusively for District Water Harvesting Mission works and may be located in the DPOs/DRDA office with staffs drawn from these as well as from development branch of the DC's office or on contract basis.

The District Water Harvesting Coordinator would scrutinize and recommend proposals received from Block level and recommend them through the DC to State Water Harvesting Agency/Mission Director for approval.

3. BLOCK LEVEL — An Assistant Engineer who will be the Project Officer at the Block Level will be responsible for submission of proposals to the District Coordinator and to oversee implementation in the field through grass roots organizations such as traditional and local authorities, village councils, established cooperatives, SHGs, and established NGOs with good track record and establishing appropriate system of ownership and maintenance of assets by local communities other essential staff to assist the Project Officer at the Block Level will be taken on deputation/on contract basis.

The structure of the Mission will be as follows :-

Mission Steering body (under Chief Secretary)

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District Coordinator,

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Project Officer

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NGO/SHGs/Village Committee (the implementing agencies)

V. PERSONNEL POLICY OF THE WATER HARVESTING AGENCY :

The Water Harvesting Agency should not have permanent staff. The employees should be on deputation/on contract to the Water Harvesting Agency for specific periods. A minimum number of core staff may however be maintained. The Mission Director, Subject Matter Specialists, the District Coordinator and other essential staff would be selected by a committee headed by the Chief Secretary with the State Mission executive processing the selection. The senior most Secretary, Planning Department would be overall in charge of the personnel of the Water Harvesting Agency. The controlling Authority of the Mission Director/Project Coordinator./ Other Officers may place the service of the concerned officers at the disposal of the Planning Department for appointment to the concerned post in the mission. Posting orders of the Mission Director, District Coordinators, other Officers and staff would be issued by the Mission executive with the approval of the chairman i.e. Chief secretary. The Planning Department through the chairman would also be responsible for making in charge arrangements when any personnel go on long leave. The officials of the Water Harvesting Agency should be continually trained on the subject and there should be a system of in house-training.

VI. ADMINISTRATIVE COST :

The Administrative cost ceiling fixed will be met by the State Government/other sources. The State should follow its own salary structure. A maximum of 30% of the salary cost may be allocated towards contingencies

including rents, P.O.L., office expenses etc. The ceiling will be raised every year on a compounding basis to set off the increases due to inflation etc. The Mission will initially set up District and Block level bodies in a few locations. After evaluating the performance, the concept will be extended all over the state in phases.

VII. PROCEDURE FOR APPROVAL AND IMPLEMENTATION :

The Project Officer at the Block level will initiate the plans and draw up schemes and send to district coordinator. The Project Officer will consult the grassroot organizations/Stake holders in the process.

The District Water Harvesting Promoter and Co-ordinator will prepare and submit the Annual Action Plan (AAP) to the State Water Harvesting Agency which will in turn present same before the Water Harvesting Mission steering Committee. The State Water Harvesting Mission Steering Committee will approve the proposal of State Water Harvesting Agency. On approval, the mission director would submit the demand for release of fund to the mission executive in the planning department and the fund will be released to the mission director. The clearance of the steering committee would be deemed to have the approval and concurrence from planning and finance department based on which bulk sanctions would be issued and acted upon by the planning department for release. The State Water Harvesting Agency with the approval of chairman would release the funds to district promoter and coordinator who in turn would pass the fund to the Project Officer/and consequently to the water harvesting implementing organization/NGOs at the village level. No contractors will be involved, in the implementation.

At the project level, a project implementation committee would be formed which will open joint account with the Stake holders/SHG/Traditional Institutions/VECs etc as the case may be with Project Officers at Block levels.

The release of 1st installment will be made after the Annual Action Plan is approved. The second installment shall be released on the request of the District Water Harvesting coordinator subject to satisfactory report of utilization of the 1st installment.

VIII. MONITORING AND EVALUATION :

There shall be continuous in house monitoring by the State Water Harvesting Agency/District Water Harvesting promoter and a third party independent evaluation as approved by the State Water Harvesting Committee.

SHREERANJAN,
Commissioner & Secretary,
Planning Department.